

MAL Outdoor Soccer Division VI Rules

Field Size: Small sided (40 yd. X 60 yd.)

Players: 6 or 7 plus keeper (Ideally you would like to start game with at least 1 sub per team)

Goal Size: smallest (6' x 9')

Time: 4 quarters of 10 minutes with 1 minute break at the end of the 1st and 3rd quarters and minutes at the half. (Referee has discretion to reduce to 8 minutes in cases of extreme heat or inclement weather)

Teams: One team per side (Coaches and spectators). The exception to this is when there is a full sided game going on perpendicular to your field. For everyone's safety we ask that teams and parents split the sideline in the center of their field.

Coaching: Shall only be done from your respective sidelines and between the penalty areas (18) on the field. NO coaching from the opposite sideline, or from behind the goal lines. For the first 3 weeks coaches may be on the field to coach, but only within 5 yards of their own sideline and between the penalty areas.

Uniforms: Supplied by MAL

Shin Guards required covered by socks

Cleats/turf shoes/sneakers allowed (no metal spikes)

Jewelry: NO earrings allowed even if covered by tape or band aids

No bracelets or necklaces allowed unless for medical purposes

Religious necklaces must be taped to the chest under the shirt

Throw-Ins: In the case of an improper throw-in, referee shall blow whistle and instruct player what he/she did incorrectly. A second attempt shall be given. If it is still improper, the throw shall be awarded to the other team

Fouls: There are only two that should be called

1. Hand ball (only if a player picks up the ball or catches the ball on the field of play)
2. Blatant trips or kicks (intent to injure)

Every foul is an indirect kick.

There are no penalty kicks in division 6. If there is a hand ball in the box, place the ball at the spot of the infraction and call an indirect kick.

Corner kicks: The ball shall be placed at the intersection of the penalty area (18) and the end line

Goal kicks: placed at the corner of the 6 yard line. Everyone on the defending team needs to be outside the box. The rule is 10 yards from the ball so the defending players should not be on the edge of the penalty area (18), they should be two yards off the line. If the ball does not clear the penalty area (18) the kick is retried.

If the referees are not blowing their whistles and/or not instructing the children on what they are doing incorrectly, please send an email identifying which game you experienced this to Robert Cudequest, the referee coordinator at bullet@fatb.com and he will deal with the referees. Please remember that the referees, like the children are learning and to be patient with them. During the game is not the time to address issues.

Substitution: Free substitution at referee's discretion at any time during the game.